Fermilab Today

Calendar

Monday, December 13

2:30 p.m. Particle Astrophysics Seminar -

Curia II

Speaker: L. Mersini, University of North

Carolina

Title: Can We Distinguish New Physics

Signatures in the Sky?

3:30 p.m. DIRECTOR'S COFFEE

BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over

4:00 p.m. All Experimenters' Meeting -

Curia II

Special Topic: MINOS Near Detector

Commissioning Report

Tuesday, December 14

1:00 p.m. Computing Techniques

Seminar - (NOTE TIME & LOCATION)

FCC1W

Speaker: C. Jones, Cornell University

Title: Doing Physics with Advanced C++

3:30 p.m. DIRECTOR'S COFFEE

BREAK - 2nd Flr X-Over

4:00 p.m. Accelerator Physics and

Technology Seminar - 1 West

Speaker: A. Koschik, CERN

Title: Simulation of Transverse Multi-Bunch Instabilities of Proton Beams in

LHC

Wilson Hall Cafe

Farewell to Linc Read



Linc Read and his wife Pat cut his retirement cake. (Click on image for larger version.)

After 37 and a half years, the Accelerator Division's Linc Read will retire on December 28. A Fermilab pioneer, Read joined Fermilab on June 15, 1967. Last Tuesday, more than 100 Fermilab employees came to honor him at a coffee reception, reading farewell letters and presenting him with a scrapbook.

Deputy Director Ken Stanfield highlighted Read's many achievements. Read, who holds badge number 005, worked with founding director Robert Wilson on what was at the time only a project, before the lab even existed, and when the government did not yet own the land.

"Linc has an enormous talent for taking on incredibly amorphous tasks, and doing them well to the benefit of all of Fermilab," said Stanfield.

"Linc is one of those people who would see that there was a job to be done and do it without worrying about who got the credit," said former associate director Rich Orr in his farewell letter.

Read said he looks back on his experiences at Fermilab with affection,

Safety Tip of the Week

Winter Slips



Slipping on ice or snow is a major cause of winter accidents in the Midwest. Below are suggestions from Fermilab ES&H personnel that are offered to help you deal with this seasonal problem.

Ray Lewis (AD ES&H) warns that iceand snow-covered surfaces are difficult to deal with because they are widespread and hard to assess. Last winter an AD employee slipped on ice that was covered by a fresh dusting of snow. Avoidance and/or removal are the obvious keys to prevention.

Greg Mitchell (BSS and FESS SSO) advises use of "secure footing" in winter conditions. Don't expect to walk normally: take smaller flat-footed steps and wear appropriate footwear. Also, be more observant of ground conditions. Is that a wet surface or "black ice" that you are about to walk on?

Keith Schuh (PPD ES&H and Building Management) notes that many buildings are provided with containers of salt near their entrances. Building occupants should toss out a scoop of salt onto ice and snow near entrances. This can be particularly helpful where building

Monday, December 13

Minestrone

Chicken and Mushroom Cheese Steak \$4.75

Baked Chicken Enchiladas \$3.75 Carved Roast Beef \$4.00 Smoked Turkey Panini Pesto Mayo \$4.75 Western Ranch Bagel \$2.75 Pacific Rim Rice Bowl \$4.75

Wilson Hall Cafe Menu Chez Leon

Weather



Chance Flurries 26%9°

Extended Forecast

Weather at Fermilab

Current Security Status

Secon Level 3

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and emphasized his appreciation for the supportive environment. "I think of Fermilab as a spirit of community," said Read. "To everyone, keep up the good work. And thank you."

Accelerator Update

December 8 - 10

- During the last 48 hours, Operations established two stores that delivered approximately 20 hours and 6 minutes of luminosity to the experiments.
- TeV separator sparks cause loss of luminosity and then loss of a store.
- Mouse causes safety trip in a Main Injector power supply.

Read the Current Accelerator Update

Read the Early Bird Report

View the Tevatron Luminosity Charts

In the News



Sam Bodman speaks after his nomination on Friday in Washington.

managers cannot get to multiple entrances in a timely manner.

Jack Hawkins (LSS SSO) recommends that people hold onto railings or other stable items, especially on stairs. People should also be aware that icy patches can thaw during the day and refreeze at night. Watch for this problem on slopes where runoff from melting can occur. Repeated treatments with salt and/or sand may be needed.

Rich Ruthe (TD SSO) advises people to keep one hand on their vehicle as they get out to stand up. This will provide stability in the event that they have stepped onto a slippery surface. For walking, Rich recommends rough-soled footwear and shuffling to move.

Have a great day and let's work safely all week!

Safety Tip of the Week Archive

Announcements

Upcoming Power Outages

Neutrino Labs A, C, & D

12/15 - These Neutrino Labs will be without power for one hour while they get connected to a generator. They will be on the generator for about a week and then go down for another hour to connect back to regular power.

Upcoming Classes

December 14 & 15: Behavioral
Interviewing (Talent Selection) two
consecutive half-days
January 10 - 14: Advanced Linux
Administration
January 19: Editing HTML for Admin.
Professionals
more information

From The New York Times, December 10, 2004

Bush Names New Energy Chief to His Second-Term Cabinet

By DAVID E. SANGER

WASHINGTON - President Bush named Deputy Treasury Secretary Samuel W. Bodman today to be head of the Energy Department, filling one of the last openings in his second-term cabinet.

Mr. Bodman "has shown himself to be a problem-solver who knows how to set goals and knows how to reach them," Mr. Bush said at a ceremony in the Roosevelt Room.

Read more (Registration required)

From U.S. Newswire, December 10, 2004

Statement of Energy Secretary

Abraham on the Nomination of Sam

Bodman

WASHINGTON - Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham today released the following statement regarding the nomination of Sam Bodman as the 11th Secretary of Energy:

"This morning President Bush nominated Deputy Secretary of Treasury Sam Bodman to be the next Secretary of Energy for his second term. Sam is a good friend and will be a great Secretary of Energy. His broad experience in the private sector and as Deputy Secretary of Commerce and Treasury will serve the Department and him well in this key position."

Read more

Cashier's Office Holiday Schedule

The Cashier's Office will be closed December 23, 2004 thru January 03, 2005. Please submit all time sensitive payment requests no later than 10:00 am on December 20th, 2004.

Payroll Department Holiday Schedule

The Payroll Department will be closed December 23, 2004 thru January 2, 2005.

Monthly Leave Sheets Due Wednesday

Monthly Leave Sheets for December are due in Payroll by 10 a.m. on December 15, 2004. Monthly employees will be paid on December 22,2004.

Weekly Time Sheets Holiday Schedule

Time sheets for the week ending 12/12/04 are due in Payroll by 10 a.m. on December 13, 2004; week ending 12/19/04 are due in Payroll by 10 a.m. on December 15, 2004; week ending 12/26/04 are due in Payroll by 10 a.m. on December 17, 2004. Revisions for the week ending 12/19/04 are due in Payroll by 9 a.m. on December 20, 2004. Revisions for the week ending 12/26/04 are due in Payroll by 9 a.m. on January 3, 2005. Weekly employees will be paid on December 22, 2004 for weeks ending 12/19/04 and 12/26/04.

Travel Office Holiday Schedule

Please note the Travel Office will be closed the following days for the holidays:

Dec 23

Dec 24

Dec 30

Dec 31

Please make plans to pick up airline tickets and arrange travel on dates other than the above. The Travel Office staff wishes you all a Happy Holiday Season!

Upcoming Activities

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